

The Daily Mirror

THE GREAT PICTURE NEWSPAPER.

REMARKABLE CIRCULATION RECORD

1912 Average daily Circulation **752,492** Copies.

1913 Average daily Circulation **821,586** Copies.

BELOW we give a Chartered Accountants' certificate of the day-to-day circulation of "The Daily Mirror" from 1st January, 1912, to 31st December, 1913. The average daily circulation during 1913 was **821,586** copies as compared with **752,492** during 1912, an increase of **69,094** copies a day. The figures have been arrived at *after deducting all free and complimentary copies*. "The Daily Mirror" has the largest circulation of any picture newspaper in the world. With the exception of "The Daily Mail," "The Daily Mirror" has the largest sale of any morning or evening newspaper in the British Isles.

5, London Wall Buildings, London, E.C., 6th January, 1914.

To the Pictorial Newspaper Coy. (1910), Ltd.,

Gentlemen,—We have examined the Books of "The Daily Mirror" for the two years ended 31st December, 1912, and 31st December, 1913, and certify that the daily circulation, exclusive of complimentary and free copies, was as follows.

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1912.		1913.		1912.		1913.		1912.		1913.	
JAN.	Copies.	JAN.	Copies.	APRIL.	Copies.	APRIL.	Copies.	JULY.	Copies.	JULY.	Copies.
1	684,750	1	740,893	1	741,473	1	866,838	1	759,504	1	831,819
2	679,893	2	739,382	2	734,569	2	Lord Wolseley's Funeral.	2	755,610	2	830,885
3	679,957	3	738,947	3	732,614	3	732,614	3	754,957	3	836,960
4	678,274	4	744,333	4	733,097	4	733,097	4	755,863	4	838,435
5	678,306	5	740,728	5	690,143	5	737,722	5	754,668	5	835,418
6	685,141	6	734,914	6	Good Friday.	6	735,763	6	763,681	6	850,559
7	680,739	7	735,253	7	738,446	7	738,446	7	768,681	7	841,529
8	677,437	8	734,552	8	737,180	8	737,180	8	768,905	8	845,025
9	678,434	9	734,708	9	761,173	9	733,338	9	762,947	9	846,580
10	678,248	10	743,981	10	742,605	10	734,568	10	757,777	10	854,793
11	677,007	11	739,968	11	738,123	11	738,123	11	758,347	11	871,302
12	684,200	12	735,254	12	736,084	12	736,084	12	762,638	12	892,511
13	679,351	13	734,779	13	739,833	13	739,833	13	769,194	13	Royal tour in Lancs.
14	676,329	14	733,779	14	735,084	14	735,084	14	767,423	14	890,405
15	676,967	15	735,128	15	732,591	15	732,591	15	757,896	15	838,121
16	673,821	16	742,711	16	736,133	16	736,133	16	757,103	16	871,345
17	676,967	17	735,128	17	736,133	17	736,133	17	757,103	17	871,345
18	673,821	18	735,128	18	736,133	18	736,133	18	757,103	18	871,345
19	673,821	19	735,128	19	736,133	19	736,133	19	757,103	19	871,345
20	683,767	20	734,981	20	734,981	20	734,981	20	757,103	20	871,345
21	678,623	21	734,981	21	734,981	21	734,981	21	757,103	21	871,345
22	675,447	22	734,981	22	734,981	22	734,981	22	757,103	22	871,345
23	675,447	23	734,981	23	734,981	23	734,981	23	757,103	23	871,345
24	675,886	24	735,875	24	735,875	24	735,875	24	760,628	24	841,718
25	674,404	25	744,331	25	767,787	25	777,667	25	766,734	25	837,715
26	674,912	26	741,989	26	804,196	26	785,146	26	760,577	26	811,420
27	683,382	27	739,319	27	732,482	27	732,482	27	760,577	27	811,420
28	675,528	28	738,546	28	766,039	28	766,039	28	774,929	28	856,141
29	681,008	29	744,837	29	800,917	29	786,525	29	778,875	29	840,644
30	676,403	30	740,756	30	830,256	30	780,691	30	770,911	30	843,946
				31	833,256	31	779,763	31	771,958	31	845,962
					Titanic photos.	30	776,443				
FEB.		FEB.		MAY.		MAY.		AUG.		AUG.	
1	680,310	1	747,900	1	834,280	1	777,635	1	774,201	1	847,371
2	676,383	2	744,203	2	786,000	2	785,823	2	774,458	2	877,513
3	689,053	3	744,203	3	786,000	3	785,823	3	774,458	3	877,513
4	688,784	4	742,212	4	786,000	4	785,823	4	774,458	4	877,513
5	686,712	5	742,212	5	786,000	5	785,823	5	774,458	5	877,513
6	688,258	6	742,212	6	786,000	6	785,823	6	774,458	6	877,513
7	682,197	7	742,212	7	786,000	7	785,823	7	774,458	7	877,513
8	682,197	8	742,212	8	786,000	8	785,823	8	774,458	8	877,513
9	722,791	9	742,212	9	786,000	9	785,823	9	774,458	9	877,513
10	723,040	10	742,212	10	786,000	10	785,823	10	774,458	10	877,513
Mr. Churchill's reception in Ireland.		Capt. Scott Memorial Service.		The King at Aldershot.		Death of Gen. Booth.		Col. Cody's Funeral.		Aisgill's disaster.	
11	685,176	11	742,212	11	786,000	11	785,823	11	774,458	11	877,513
12	679,177	12	742,212	12	786,000	12	785,823	12	774,458	12	877,513
13	680,181	13	742,212	13	786,000	13	785,823	13	774,458	13	877,513
14	687,925	14	742,212	14	786,000	14	785,823	14	774,458	14	877,513
15	681,544	15	742,212	15	786,000	15	785,823	15	774,458	15	877,513
16	685,100	16	742,212	16	786,000	16	785,823	16	774,458	16	877,513
17	680,715	17	742,212	17	786,000	17	785,823	17	774,458	17	877,513
18	682,128	18	742,212	18	786,000	18	785,823	18	774,458	18	877,513
19	682,377	19	742,212	19	786,000	19	785,823	19	774,458	19	877,513
20	682,598	20	742,212	20	786,000	20	785,823	20	774,458	20	877,513
21	682,598	21	742,212	21	786,000	21	785,823	21	774,458	21	877,513
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26	682,598	26	742,212	26	786,000	26	785,823	26	774,458	26	877,513
27	682,598	27	742,212	27	786,000	27	785,823	27	774,458	27	877,513
28	682,598	28	742,212	28	786,000	28	785,823	28	774,458	28	877,513
29	682,598	29	742,212	29	786,000	29	785,823	29	774,458	29	877,513
30	682,598	30	742,212	30	786,000	30	785,823	30	774,458	30	877,513
MARCH.		MARCH.		JUNE.		JUNE.		SEPT.		SEPT.	
1	710,369	1	765,614	1	775,723	1	814,353	1	806,001	1	900,736
2	722,337	2	772,216	2	789,299	2	808,827	2	800,433	2	872,797
3	719,908	3	756,945	3	789,299	3	808,827	3	800,433	3	872,797
4	723,581	4	757,294	4	789,299	4	808,827	4	800,433	4	872,797
5	727,836	5	757,294	5	789,299	5	808,827	5	800,433	5	872,797
6	729,335	6	757,294	6	789,299	6	808,827	6	800,433	6	872,797
7	729,526	7	757,294	7	789,299	7	808,827	7	800,433	7	872,797
8	730,536	8	757,294	8	789,299	8	808,827	8	800,433	8	872,797
9	731,495	9	757,294	9	789,299	9	808,827	9	800,433	9	872,797
10	732,454	10	757,294	10	789,299	10	808,827	10	800,433	10	872,797
11	733,413	11	757,294	11	789,299	11	808,827	11	800,433	11	872,797
12	734,372	12	757,294	12	789,299	12	808,827	12	800,433	12	872,797
13	735,331	13	757,294	13	789,299	13	808,827	13	800,433	13	872,797
14	736,290	14	757,294	14	789,299	14	808,827	14	800,433	14	872,797
15	737,249	15	757,294	15	789,299	15	808,827	15	800,433	15	872,797
16	738,208	16	757,294	16	789,299	16	808,827	16	800,433	16	872,797
17	739,167	17	757,294	17	789,299	17	808,827	17	800,433	17	872,797
18	740,126	18	757,294	18	789,299	18	808,827	18	800,433	18	872,797
19	741,085	19	757,294	19	789,299	19	808,827	19	800,433	19	872,797
20	742,044	20	757,294	20	789,299	20	808,827	20	800,433	20	872,797
21	743,003	21	757,294	21	789,299	21	808,827	21	800,433	21	872,797
22	743,962	22	757,294	22	789,299	22	808,827	22	800,433	22	872,797
23	744,921	23	757,294	23	789,299	23	808,827	23	800,433	23	872,797
24	745,880	24	757,294	24	789,299	24	808,827	24	800,433	24	872,797
25	746,839	25	757,294	25	789,299	25	808,827	25	800,433	25	872,797
26	747,798	26	757,294	26	789,299	26	808,827	26	800,433	26	872,797
27	748,757	27	757,294	27	789,299	27	808,827	27	800,433	27	872,797
28	749,716	28	757,294	28	789,299	28	808,827	28	800,433	28	872,797
29	750,675	29	757,294	29	789,299	29	808,827	29	800,433	29	872,797
30	751,634	30	757,294	30	789,299	30	808,827	30	800,433	30	872,797
OCT.		OCT.		NOV.							
1	758,707	1	758,707	1	742,078						
2	748,642	2	748,642	2	752,149						
3	744,699	3	744,699	3	763,179						
4	745,959	4	745,959	4	745,464						
5	767,785	5	767,785	5	745,021						
6	747,417	6	747,417	6	743,292						
7	739,320	7	739,320	7	744,147						
8	737,890	8	737,890	8	754,461						
9	737,992	9	737,992	9	754,791						
10	747,045	10	747,045	10	757,238						
11	747,902	11	747,902	11	746,042						
12	747,045	12	747,045	12	746,042						
13	940,865	13	940,865	13	755,503						
Volutno tragedy.		Volutno tragedy.		14	760,856						

100,000 MEN ARMED IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Peril to White Women by
Revolt of Blacks.

11 BASUTOS KILLED.

Citizens Called to the Colours—
Troops to Rescue.

LEADERS ARRESTED.

So acutely critical is the situation in South Africa that some 100,000 men have been called to arms by the Government, which is ready, if necessary, to proclaim martial law.

This great display of force followed mass meetings of railway strikers or their supporters in Johannesburg, Pretoria and Capetown yesterday, which passed off quietly.

The executive of the Federation of Trades has decided in favour of a general strike, and a ballot will be taken to-morrow.

Late last night a Bloemfontein Reuter telegram stated that an attempt to blow up the railway line is reported from Ferreira, while at another point the strikers have held up a goods train and drawn the fire from the engine.

Burglar commands are rapidly concentrating and it is expected that to-morrow the entire Free State main line bridges will be guarded. Eleven hundred natives on the way to the Rand have been sent to cantonments under a guard of armed citizens.

A ray of hope was provided yesterday by the decision of the Cape Railway men not to join in the strike.

The measures taken by the Government to deal with the strike are comprehensive. Their most important move has been to deprive the men of their leaders by a series of arrests of prominent Labour officials. These include Mr. Poutsma, who has been called the "Jim Larkin" of South Africa.

In the midst of all this grave industrial trouble there is another terrible menace—the Black Peril, which is always present.

While the Union Government have called up all the armed men at the country's command, a grave event has occurred to remind both Briton and Boer that they are few and the natives many.

Some thousands of natives at Jagersfontein, the famous diamond mining town about sixty miles

voured to allay the feelings of the Basutos, saying that the matter was in the hands of the police, and witnesses would be summoned, but his efforts were unavailing.

Rushing the tunnel house, the Basutos forced all the whites to take refuge in the tunnel. The Basutos then wrecked everything within reach, including the compound, and took the money intended for their wages, and also for the wages of the white employees. Meanwhile the alarm was raised.

At one time the natives seemed disposed to cease rioting, and the armed whites were instructed to disperse to certain stations, but the order had to be quickly countermanded, for the Basutos broke out again and pandemonium reigned.

They tore down the fences of the compound, and rushed out with the evident intention of storming the town.

Armed whites, however, were able, by making a circuit, to intercept them.

The Basutos attacked the white men, who, in self-defence, fired. Several Basutos fell.

Appearing to have become frenzied, the Basutos persistently endeavoured to rush down to the town, where the women and children would have been at their mercy.

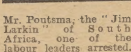
The Basutos were eventually driven back with difficulty to the compounds and huts, and doctors attended the wounded whites and blacks.

A panic occurred in the town, the women remembering that there were 9,000 natives and only 150 whites to defend them.

Scores of women and children fled in vehicles of all sorts to Fauresmith, while armed men gal-



The Hon. H. Poutsma, Minister of Railways and Harbours in South Africa.



Mr. Poutsma, the "Jim Larkin" of South Africa, one of the labour leaders arrested.

loped or motored from Fauresmith to the relief of the handful of white in Jagersfontein.

Forty men of the Bedfordshire Regiment and twenty-five officers from the School of Musketry at Bloemfontein, with two maxims, arrived this morning, and are now in the compounds, and all is quiet.—Reuter's Special Service.

REVOLUTION OR STRIKE?

There is a feeling in South Africa that the Government is faced with a crisis more in the nature of a revolution than a mere strike.

CAPETOWN, Jan. 11.—A detachment of the defence force is guarding the docks here to-day. A message received from Mr. Hoy, general manager of railways at Johannesburg, states that a section of the members of the Railwaymen's Society wishes to resume work, that a few men are already trickling in, and a number of trains are running. Mr. Hoy anticipates that the train service will be normal to-morrow.—Reuter.

JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 11.—Everything is quiet, both here and at Pretoria.

The Government remains in full control of the situation. The demonstration which was held here this afternoon was not of an enthusiastic character.

Martial law has not been proclaimed, but the Government is ready to put it into force if found necessary.—Exchange.

CAPETOWN, Jan. 11.—At a mass meeting on the parade here this afternoon, at which 4,000 persons were present, the Cape Railwaymen decided to refuse to participate in the strike. The decision has given great satisfaction to all the citizens at the Cape.—Exchange.

WHY M.P. LEFT DUBLIN.

"I myself was threatened with personal violence directly I arrived on the scene to give evidence," said Mr. Handel Booth, M.P., at a Hyde Park meeting yesterday afternoon, at which he declared that the Dublin police inquiry was a farce.

Describing the scenes in Dublin during Horse Show week, he said the term police was a wrong term as applied to the force in Dublin. One of the reasons he left the city was because he did not want his wife to be insulted.

BLUEJACKETS POISONED.

Eighty bluejackets at the Royal Naval Barracks at Devonport have been treated for ptomaine poisoning, symptoms of which developed after the men had partaken of fish cake for breakfast.

The poisoning was apparently of a mild nature.

DOOMED VILLAGE.

KOESLIN, Jan. 11.—Last night the dam between the Baltic Sea and Bukon Lake burst.

One of the villages in the vicinity is completely inundated, and only one or two roofs show above the water.

One hundred villagers, for whose safety fear was felt, escaped to Steinfort.—Reuter.

ATTACK ON A WOMAN ARTIST.

An attack made on Miss E. M. Childers, an artist, in the lonely woods of Aldermaston (Berkshire) was described at Reading Police Court on Saturday, when Albert Hampton was committed for trial at the Berks Assizes.

Miss Childers said she was sketching when the man suddenly appeared and threatened to shoot her. She caught hold of the gun he was carrying and managed to press the trigger.

THAW'S SANITY.

Commission Says He Will Not Be Menace to Society on Release.

CONCORD (New Hampshire), Jan. 11.—The Commission appointed by the Federal Court to inquire into the mental condition of Harry Thaw reports that Thaw would not be a menace to society if he were to be released on bail.

The report declares that he is not now afflicted with the mental disorders from which he was suffering at the time when he shot Mr. Stanford White.—Reuter.

Every lever that wealth could move was set in motion on Thaw's behalf after he made a sensational escape on August 17 last from Matteawan (New York State) Asylum for the criminal insane.

For over five years Thaw was confined in the Matteawan Asylum.

The opening scene of the amazing drama was enacted on a June night of 1906, when Harry Thaw shot dead Stanford White at the Madison-square roof garden theatre, New York's most popular music-hall in summer.

Four days later Thaw was charged at the Criminal Court, but was kept in prison six months before the beginning of the trial, which cost, it was estimated, some £70,000. Delay followed delay, and it was not until January 6, 1908, that Thaw was sent to Matteawan.

Then, in August last, he made his dramatic escape. While Thaw was at exercise a big motor-car passed the asylum gates. Thaw made a dash for the footboard, climbed aboard and a few hours later was in Canada.

He was followed and rearrested at Coaticook, Quebec, and, after protracted proceedings, was deported to the United States.

FICKLE WEATHER.

Thermometer Falls 20deg. in 4 Hours—
Frost Round London.

Even in our fickle climate such a sudden change of temperature as occurred between Saturday and Sunday is remarkable. During the four hours between 11 o'clock on Saturday evening and 3 o'clock yesterday morning the thermometer fell 20deg.

Figures were as follow:—

	9 a.m.	2 p.m.	6 p.m.
Saturday	52	54	54
Sunday	32	34	34

At Richmond and in most of the suburbs yesterday the mercury never rose above freezing point. While on Saturday the roads were wet and sloppy and spring clothing seemed most comfortable, the warmest garments were necessary yesterday. In the eastern counties there were several showers of snow.

LORD MURRAY BACK.

Looking bronzed and well, and declaring that he was very glad to be home again, Lord Murray, formerly the Master of Elibank, and Chief Liberal Whip, arrived at Paddington yesterday from Plymouth, after a long business tour in South America.

After disembarking at Plymouth from the liner George Washington, Lord Murray joined the mail express for London. On alighting at Paddington Lord Murray was heartily greeted by Lady Murray and Lord and Lady Cowdray.

To a Press representative Lord Murray said he had no statement to make, either as to his business in South America or about events which had occurred at home. (Photograph on page 8.)

NOTED "PORTIA" DEAD.

Mrs. Georgina Weldon, the famous woman litigant, died at Brighton yesterday morning.

She opposed the late Lord Killowen, then Sir Charles Russell, in the workman Sir Henry de Bathe suit. It lasted five days, and she surprised the whole legal world by winning a verdict with £1,000 damages.

The same year she fought an action for libel against the French composer Coumoud and won damages £10,000. She also gained verdicts of £1,000 and £500 against two doctors.

Mrs. Weldon, an octogenarian, was the wife of Norroy King of Arms and the daughter of the late M. T. Trelawny, of Gate House, Posingworth Manor, Sussex.

JUDGES RESUME WORK TO-DAY.

A large increase in the number of cases to be dealt with by the Court of Appeal is a feature of the cause list for the Hilary Law Sittings, which begin to-day.

There are 329 appeals, compared with 213 in January, 1913.

Among cases to be heard are the following:—
Rehearing of the slander action, *Mr. Fitzgerald (the jury disagreed) in the first trial*; *Mr. Ghent, a curate of St. Andrew's, Stockwell Green, sends a police officer to arrest him on account of his misconducting himself with the vergent's wife*.

Four notable appeals are that of the defendant in *Woodhouse v. Sawyer* for judgment or a new trial, and *the arising out of the loss of the Titanic*.

In the Divorce Court the cases include the petition of the Countess de Cosquieu, *James v. Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin* Born, which raises the question of the validity of a marriage alleged between the parties.

TO-DAY'S WEATHER.

Our special weather forecast for to-day is: Gusty easterly breeze; rain and dry air; frosty night; slight snow locally.
9 a.m. temp. 51.3 p.m. High-water at London Bridge: 2.14 p.m.
LONDON OBSERVATIONS, Holborn Circus, City, 6 p.m. Barometer, 30.35 in.; rising; temperature, 34deg.; wind N.E. fresh; weather, fair, dry and frosty. Sea passage will be rather tough.

NO CLUE TO TRAIN MURDER.

Mother's Story of Child Victim's
Death.

STRANGLED WITH HANDS.

There is practically no clue yet, though three days have now elapsed, in the mystery of the brutal murder of the pretty little boy, Willie Starfield.

His body was found under the seat of a third-class railway compartment on the North London Railway by a boy named Tillman, who noticed it when he stooped to tie his bootlace between Midland Park and Dalston Stations at 4.30 p.m. last Thursday. Tillman entered the train at Midland Park.

A very large force of police is engaged on the case, and yesterday there was a conference at Scotland Yard, in which Mr. Basil Thomson, the new C.I.D. chief, took part, but, so far, the investigation has been fruitless.

The police divisional surgeon who examined the body soon after it was taken from the train at Shoreditch Station believes that the child, who was



PORTINARL



STARFIELD

six years old last June, was killed about 2.30 p.m. There is, too, a new suggestion that he was "garrotted," or strangled by pressure of the hands, no cord being used.

Marks on the back and front of the neck indicate that the head was pressed back over some hard substance, such as the edge of a chair or seat.

The house-to-house inquiries and questions to tram and omnibus officials in the neighbourhood of Hampstead-road have brought the police no reliable information, and the known facts only point to the purposeless and motiveless character of the murder.

The little boy was sent by his mother's landlady at 191 Hampstead-road, N.W., to a stationer's shop 200 yards away, to return an "apartments to let" card, about 1 p.m. He never reached the shop. The card is missing.

An Italian boy, aged seven, Angelo Portinarl, who lives near Willie's home, told *The Daily Mirror* that he saw Willie on Thursday afternoon some little time after he had his own dinner, which was given him at 12.30 p.m., going towards Camden Town with a boy taller and older than himself. Willie dropped some sticks from a bundle he carried in his hand, and the older boy shouted "Come on!"

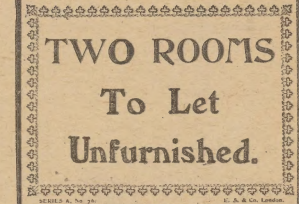
The inquest will take place to-morrow. (Photographs on page 16.)

SADDEST WOMAN IN LONDON.

The saddest woman in London to-day is Mrs. Starfield, mother of little Willie.

When *The Daily Mirror* called to see the bereaved woman, she was seen sitting beside the kitchen fire, with her face in her hands, over which tears ran unchecked.

The most important admission which Mrs. Starfield made to *The Daily Mirror* yesterday was that her son had a presentiment the night



Card similar to the one which Willie Starfield was sent out to get.

before the murder that something terrible was going to happen.

"Willie on the night before had been up very late," Mrs. Starfield remarked.

On Wednesday night my youngest brother called to see me, and at ten o'clock I suggested Willie should get undressed.

"He cried, and I told him he must not do that, as it was very late to be up. I asked my brother to undress him."

"Over his bed there is a photograph of my other son, Jacky—Willie's brother—who was born in June, 1904, and is dead."

"Just before he said, 'Good night, mamma,' he called out to my brother, 'Uncle, I am going to see Jacky to-morrow.'"

"Naturally, I thought the child meant my cousin Jack, for Willie has been to see him. I never dreamt it was his own brother."

"The same night he said this he had, strangely enough, a weird dream. He woke me up and said, 'Mamma, I've been dreaming I was dying, and you—pointing to his mother beside him in bed—was crying.'"

"I was flabbergasted at such an utterance from a child. Very morning—the day of the murder—he told the landlady."



Diagram showing the enormous preponderance of blacks over whites in South Africa.

from Bloemfontein, got out of hand and made a furious attack on the town, imperilling the lives of the handful of whites.

With only 150 weapons, the white men faced a horde of 8,000 enraged natives.

The Basutos attempted to rush through the white men in order to reach the town. The citizens promptly cowed them by a shower of bullets. Had the maddened natives got into the town there would have been a sad story of murder to record. (Photographs on pages 1, 8 and 9.)

SEVEN BLACKS TO ONE WHITE.

The Black Peril is ever present in the minds of all South Africans. It is a menace which is never very far away.

"The problem of the races—whether the future of the portion of South Africa under the British Crown shall be black or white—is a question which surpasses all others in demanding a practical solution," said an ex-Colonial to *The Daily Mirror* yesterday.

"From Cape Colony to the Zambesi there are, in round numbers, about one million whites covering an area of 1,300,000 square miles. Nearly three-quarters of these are located either in the cities or in rural centres of population."

"On the other side, in the same area, there are about seven million native blacks, or a proportion of seven natives to each white."

NATIVES FURIOUS ATTACK.

JAGERSFONTEIN, Jan. 10.—The Basuto boys at the Jagersfontein Mine refused to go to work yesterday, and, arming themselves with all manner of implements, attacked all whites within reach.

Arising through the death of a Basuto, the result, it is alleged, of a kick by a white man, the natives began to be restless.

The Basutos demanded the arrest of the white man. Mr. Nesbitt, the compound manager, endeav-



Lord Lansdowne.

A French Ideal.

A French politician told me the other day that of all English statesmen he admired Lord Lansdowne the most. Lord Lansdowne, he says, has the French manner—that is to say, the manner of the French aristocrat, the models of perfect deportment. He told me also that Lord Lansdowne spoke French with the most perfect accent he had ever heard in a foreigner. Sir Edward Grey's French was indifferent.

Train Mysteries.

Train murder mysteries are growing, fortunately, rare in these days owing to corridor carriages. When this system becomes universal the train murder mystery will have disappeared.

Railway Crimes.

When, however, the history of crime is officially recorded the railway must have a large and intensely interesting chapter to itself. The murder by Muller is historic, and one of the greatest sensations of modern times was caused when Percy Mapleton Lefroy shot Mr. Gold in the Brighton train.

Lefroy, the Lyric Writer.

It is not everyone who knows that Lefroy was a promising pantomime writer and composer of lyrics. He was, indeed, very popular with certain members of the theatrical profession. He was perhaps the vainest murderer who ever stood in a dock. He was posing for a newspaper artist when he was being sentenced to death.

The Public's Panic.

It invariably happens when a murder is discovered on the railway that the public in a spirit of panic avoid empty carriages. They crush together in the most crowded compartments. Women will never enter a carriage in which a single individual is seated while a railway crime scare is upon the public.

Mr. Purefoy's Pure Joy Smile.

Mr. W. B. Purefoy, the well-known owner of racetracks, who has engineered so many successful coups on the Turf, is at the moment wearing a smile of the most sublime "pure joy." The Postmaster-General is making negotiations to purchase the Inns of Court Hotel, Holborn, for the purpose of establishing a new telephone exchange there. Mr. Purefoy holds many thousands of pounds worth of debentures in this hotel—hence that seraphic smile he was wearing at Romano's the other day.

Learning Panto.

Quite a number of artists who have made their reputations very



Miss Nan Stuart.

largely in pantomime are missing from the pantomime lists this year. Harry Randall is a name that occurs to one at once. Another is Miss Nan Stuart, who made such a success at the Lyceum a few seasons ago. She has now gone into revue.

THIS MORNING'S GOSSIP

Amateur Tangoists.

In Paris and New York it has long been the custom for patrons of tango teas to participate in the dances when they feel so disposed. This idea, which has proved enormously successful with our American cousins and in La Ville Lumiere, has been adopted at the Queen's Theatre.

Printing Lectures.

A course of eight lectures on "The Art of Printing Historically Considered" will be delivered by Mr. R. A. Peddie at the St. Bride Foundation, Bride-lane, Fleet-street, E.C., beginning this evening, at 7.30 p.m.

Leopard Skin Cloak Becoming.

I was rather inclined to scoff at the leopard skin fashion, but the other evening I noticed a lady wearing a tight-fitting leopard skin cloak over evening dress, who looked so becoming in it that I promptly changed my opinion.

A Hint to Amateur Gardeners.

I take the following from the catalogue of one of the largest sellers of garden seeds in the country:—There are hosts of so-called new sweet peas offered every year. The vast bulk of these should never be offered at all, as they are not improvements on existing varieties.

Idealists Discouraged.

The controllers of the London telephone service do not believe in those attachments which, it is urged, improve the service or have some hygienic advantage. "In nearly all cases," it is declared in the new London directory, "these attachments have the effect of either damaging the apparatus or impairing its efficiency." The authorities do not encourage any idealisation of the 'phone.

Revue Trains.

For the first time in the history of the Palladium special trains are being run from the country. "I Do Like Your Eyes" evenings are becoming very popular. As an instance, three big parties came from Birmingham to the Palladium last week, and eight are coming to-morrow.

A Peru Family Group.

A very interesting Peru-family group is staying at the Carlton Hotel—Mr. A. B. Leguia, ex-President of Peru, and Mr. Robert E. Leguia, the Vice-President, and his wife and children. Needless to say, on South American topics the two brothers are expert authorities.

A New Use for Plumes.

The upstanding plumes that decorated ladies' hats and annoyed everybody else are doomed. While they will be lost to sight they will still be useful, for dressmakers are using them to make a fringe for trimming skirts.

A Fragon Story.

Harry Fragon had a genius for perpetrating practical jokes, but they were always of the character which won smiles even from the victims. Messrs. Worton David and Bert Lee, the authors of many of his songs, have a fund of such stories. On a recent occasion they left him near his flat and entered a taxi. Unseen by them, Fragon instructed the driver to proceed to Buckingham Palace. On arriving at the royal residence, Fragon's two friends alighted and, looking round in a mystified way, exclaimed, "Where on earth are we? This is not Brixton, is it?"

A "Stingy" Singer.

It was not so very long ago that a certain comedian, whose fame as a humorist exceeds his reputation for generous giving—he has even been described as "stingy"—was in Paris with Fragon. After a thoughtful contemplation of the cost, the comedian decided to have a "wash and brush up," the fee for which was twenty centimes. Once out of immediate view, Fragon gave the attendant some money and added, "When he offers you some money refuse it and give him this fifty centimes." When the comedian was about to leave shortly after he offered the usual fee to the attendant, who waved it aside and grandiloquently presented him with fifty centimes. "This is a wonderful country," exclaimed the comedian when he rejoined Fragon; "they even pay you to wash your hands!"

Another Fragon Yarn.

Still another Fragon story. Arriving in Manchester a short time ago, Fragon noticed a large poster of himself smoking a cigar, and underneath the name of the manufacturer of that brand of cigars, with the inscription: "Fragon smokes these cigars. They can be obtained at Messrs. Blank's." Stepping over to Messrs. Blank's, Fragon asked for one of the cigars, because "if I like them I will recommend them to Fragon."

Picture Palace Clocks.

A very good idea is being adopted at the better class picture palaces, which are to have an illuminated clock on the opposite side of the screen to that on which the number of the item is posted. For people who have trains to catch and who are apt to get unduly absorbed in the pictures it is invaluable.

Is Egypt Dear?

"I have just read your interesting paragraph in a recent issue about hotel expenses in Cairo," writes a correspondent. "You calculate that a day's expenses at a fashionable hotel can be covered by about 22s. May I add for the middle class that there are many hotels with a similar accommodation to those of the middle-class hotels in London where the day's expenses would not amount to more than 10s."

A Sane Authoress.

Who is the most intellectual woman in England? Most sensible people would probably award the palm to Mrs. Humphry Ward. Her early novels stirred intellectual England as the novels of no other woman have done—except perhaps those of George Eliot. To-day they make somewhat chill reading. With all earnestness Mrs. Humphry Ward has never drifted into fads or fancies. She has remained eminently sane.

The Shepherdess Transferred.

"The Shepherdess Without a Heart," which has met with such success at the Globe Theatre, will be transferred on Wednesday afternoon next, January 14, to the New Theatre.

Maturing.

There will be several new scenes introduced into the Empire revue this week. "Nuts and Wine" should improve vastly with a little age.

Changed Affections.

The ideas of the younger generation seem to change rapidly. I can remember the time when most little girls of my acquaintance were terrified by ugly dolls. Nowadays the more ugly and fantastic the plaything the more popular it seems to be. The old-fashioned respectable "dolly," with frocks and frills, has been supplanted by "gollywogs" and "Its."

Tudor Board Room.

A board room an exact replica of the Tudor period is one of the picturesque features of a set of offices in London Wall.

Three Times.

The Duke of Oporto evidently likes "Hullo, Tango!" He attended three consecutive performances last week.

To-day's Queries.

Will a Southern club ever win the Cup again? Is it true that one of the revues is going to close?

What Mr. Arthur Powell, K.C., and Mr. Handel Booth really think of each other? Who is the musical comedy actress who receives the most love letters?

How many politically weary parliamentarians are inwardly hoping to lose their seats when the next election eventually comes?

Mr. Balfour Lectures.

So Mr. Balfour is going to lecture again on matters philosophic. This is good news for us all. In philosophic discussion Mr. Balfour is a giant among pygmies when we compare him with his fellow-parliamentarians. As a philosopher he can make the profound appear to be the obvious, and as a politician he can make the obvious appear to be the profound.

THE RAMBLER.

Mr Balfour.



"SUBLIME" EUGENICS.

First Wedding According to Teachings of the New Thought Church.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

New York, Jan. 10.—The "sublime eugenic marriage," the first to be celebrated according to the teachings of the New Thought Church, took place in the auditorium of the Aeolian Hall to-day.

The principals have been already married civilly. They are P. G. Menzel and Evaline Smith.

The bride is regarded by New Thought followers as having an important part in their vibration theory of life, physical and mental.

Mr. and Mrs. Menzel found by tests their faith in the perfect harmony of their soul vibrations, which makes theirs the "sublime eugenic marriage," as their friends call it.

"According to the ceremony, their privileges are both equal. Their union will be a triumph of the imagination of poetry, grace, art and loveliness."

Mr. F. W. Sears, who officiated at the marriage service, said: "These two come together on the soul plane.

"The vibrations of the body determine the kind of ego that will be attracted."

"Before performing a marriage ceremony we must ascertain the soul vibrations of each person. This is the first marriage that has ever taken place under the conscious application of the law of harmonious vibrations since prehistoric times."

"We met six years ago," said the bride, "and recognised that we were soul mates. We waited until we proved beyond all our doubt the oneness of our spiritual plane."

BIRD PRISONERS FREE.

Two Charming Children Liberate Little Feathered Captives in London.

A quaintly-charming little scene was enacted in Regent's Park on Saturday afternoon; it was a scene which might have come straight out of "Peter Pan."

They were surrounded by a number of wee bird cages, and they were opening them just as fast as they could.

With a surprised "cheeping" and rather a dazed air the little birds hopped out upon the grass, stretched their small wings, and then, with one joyous "cheep," soared away to freedom.

Imre and Phyllis Gross are passionately fond of all birds and animals, and they heard their father say that little song-birds could be bought at this time of the year for about threepence each.

Both Phyllis and Imre put their heads together, and at the end of a long and serious discussion they decided to ask *The Daily Mirror* to help them.

The result was that Phyllis and Imre and *The Daily Mirror* made a special expedition to the East End to find out where little birds could be bought.

Mr. Brown, of Club-row, who has a shop full of birds of all descriptions, which are waiting for owners, was quite sympathetic, and in the end Phyllis and Imre left the shop carrying a whole pile of cages.

Good folk who say that birds do not want to be free would not say so any longer if they had been in Regent's Park when Phyllis opened the cage doors.

OMNIBUS OVERTURNS.

Women's Terror When Vehicle Topples Over—7 Persons Badly Hurt.

"It was one continuous scream from the women and the men groaned. I fell across the pavement and felt very dazed for a time."

This was the vivid description given by a youth of eighteen, named F. Green, of North Kensington, who was one of the passengers on a private motor-omnibus which skidded and overturned on Saturday afternoon at Ladbrooke-grove. Twenty passengers complained of injuries and seven were detained in the Marylebone Infirmary.

The people detained at the infirmary were:—Alfred Westall, fifteen, of Kensal-road; cut scalp and concussion.

James Mann, Kensington; shock.

William Store, Hazlewood-crescent; fractured wrist.

Charles Parker, Bosworth-road, Westbourne Park; bruises and shock.

Mr. Annie Moss, Shrewsbury-road; cut wrist.

There were twenty-eight passengers on the omnibus, which was taking a party to a football match at Ealing. The passengers were thrown in all directions and every pane of glass was shattered.

Other accidents on Saturday were:—

Two London County Council tramway-cars going in the same direction collided on Saturday afternoon at Highbury Station. Two passengers complained of shock.

A motor-omnibus diddled near the Elephant and Castle and rolled with a lamp-post, knocking it down. A passer-by was bowled over, but not seriously injured.

An unknown man was knocked down and killed by a motor-omnibus on Saturday night between Biggleswade and Bedford.

SWORD TRIUMPHANT.

Officers Acquitted of Charges of Assaulting and Imprisoning Zabern Citizens.

The sword is mightier than anything else in Germany, for "sabre law" has emerged triumphant from the court-martial held at Strassburg in connection with the Zabern episodes.

Colonel Von Reuter and Lieutenant Schad were on Saturday acquitted of the offences charged against them.

Lieutenant Von Foerster, the "boy" lieutenant, who was sentenced to forty-three days' imprisonment in connection with the sabring of a Zabern cripple, has had his sentence quashed by the Appeal Court at Strassburg, on the grounds that he acted in self-defence.

In regard to Colonel Von Reuter, the court-martial found that he had no alternative but to take the law into his own hands, and justified the imprisonment for one night of twenty-seven Zabern citizens by him on the grounds that trouble might have arisen had they been transferred to a civil gaol during the night.

Lieutenant Schad was acquitted of charges of entering houses, because he was carrying out military duties under the order of his superior, and it was held that the charge of assaulting a civilian was not proved.

With regard to Lieutenant Von Foerster, the Imperial Court-martial, says Reuter, was of opinion that the crippled cobbler Blank, whom he was charged with assaulting, undoubtedly used the expression, "Wait, my boy, you'll be put through it."

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HER IDEAL.

A GOOD many of our readers have given us their views, for publication in our "discussion column," concerning the very high standard of manhood expected by the Twentieth Century Woman in men.

This Twentieth Century Woman—an abstraction from or amalgamation of many "advanced" feminine types—will never be content with the sort of husband that her grandmother—another abstraction—was forced to put up with. Is not the Twentieth Century superior to all other centuries, since it comes last in time? And is not the Woman of this century necessarily superior to all but the greatest women born in an earlier time? It obviously becomes, then, the duty of this Woman to raise men to her level. She will marry none but the Twentieth Century Husband. She will marry an ideal. And it is this ideal, precisely, that we have been getting our readers to describe or to define.

We are duly impressed with certain of these descriptions of ideals. Only a cynic—a silly cynic—would point to the fact that the correspondent who has perhaps the highest of them signs herself "Still Single." It is easy to declare that, expecting an ideal, you must continue in expectation, and that, if you want too much, you are like to get nothing.

Obvious reproach of singleness! We can only say that we honour her who, not getting what she admired, would not be so commonplace as to admire what she could get. We conceive that the writer of this letter keeps her ideal, simply because no real has arrived to cancel it.

The other way is the easier. It consists in forming an ideal, marrying a real, and then in pretending to all your friends—unconscious pretence—that the real you've married is the ideal you've always wanted.

Here is one who had always given us to believe that "never, never" would she decline an inch from the height of her hopes. "I had rather never marry at all." And the man she would marry—if she married—would have to respect her opinions, share her hopes and assist in the raising of women. Both are, in fact, to be improving persons. We doubt if we shall dine there; because they are certain to have views about diet, and he is not a wine-drinker. She would never marry a "man who drank." (She talks of a glass of wine at dinner as though it represented the downward path to the gutter.)

Then, suddenly, one day we hear that she is engaged—married.

She is married to somebody rather short. (She always said that "nothing would induce her to marry a little man.") This somebody is nobody in particular ("I will never marry a man without distinction," she once declared). And this nobody is rather a good-liver who knows a good champagne.

We shall dine there in a day or two, and, dining, shall reflect upon ideals, after a glass of Clicquot—very dry. We shall not inwardly mock, because we know that she sees him as he isn't. And, after the Clicquot, it may even be possible for the guest to see him in that manner also. We shall try. . . . W. M.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Sympathy is the first great lesson which man should learn. Until he learns to feel for things in which he has no personal interest, he can achieve nothing generous or noble.—*Talford.*

THROUGH "THE MIRROR."

ARE MASCOTS "HEATHEN"?

PLEASE allow me to give some reasons why the wearing of mascots need not be considered "heathen."

According to the science of vibration (which is as old as the earth, and yet is understood by few), everything and everyone has a counterpart, or a sympathetic part. We are all meant to be in harmony with Nature, for if we go dead against all her laws we suffer. We are only human at the best of times, and it is quite possible that God in His mercy, who created so many things for our good, of which mention is made in the Bible, made powers in earth and air which benefit us.

It is only lately that we have found out the healing properties of the X-rays, and surely it is not wicked to use these?

In olden times, when an important infant was

THE GREATEST CURSE.

THE greatest curse of England at the present day is cranks and people with "views" about everything—especially diet.

Clear England of cranks by means of more common sense, and we shall be better fit for our voyage across the Twentieth Century. E. D. Victoria-street, S.W.

PAST AND FUTURE.

"TWENTY and Still Hopeful," once again proves the fact that the younger we are, the more we think we know, and that the greater experience we have of life and living, the more we know how very little anyone really knows.

Still, the hope for better conditions is, as ever, to be looked for in the beautiful enthusiasm of youth; and it is to be hoped that "the really

FATAL FASCINATION OF NAUGHTINESS FOR HUMAN NATURE.



Tell children stories of good kind little boys and girls and they will not listen; but immediately you begin about naughtiness in girls or boys, attention is riveted with delight.—(By Mr. W. K. Haselden.)

born, astrologers cast his horoscope, and found out the aspects during his life, to guide him through ill when possible.

In Eastern countries, the people believe in wearing the colours of the stars they were born under, or even some wear the colour of each special star when in transit, when it is a beneficent one.

Let us suppose for a moment that each star has a colour, and a stone, which has corresponding vibrations, and that certain persons born under these particular planets have corresponding vibrations; then if these people wear their respective colours and stones, their vibrations will be in tune, and prosperity will result. These stars also have numbers, and the persons born on that number will find that date in every month a lucky one.

I am sure that we are meant to profit by these things. IRMA BLOOD.

"THE DAILY MIRROR" OVERSEAS.

YOUR correspondent, "C. A. J.," has sent six *Daily Mirrors* to Korea for over three years. I cannot beat him for time, but I have sent six *Daily Mirrors* to Auckland, New Zealand, for the last nine months. They are greatly appreciated.

My distance record can hardly be beaten, as if they go any further they will begin to come back! R. R. H. Walmer.

great and noble ideas prevalent nowadays among young people of every class" may be speedily realised.

It should never be forgotten, however, that the idea of a real happyfulness of life for every living man and woman has been an ideal that the best of mankind have worked and died for throughout the ages, and it is to this long line of true heretics and reformers that all great and noble ideas owe their existence.

ALPHA AND OMEGA.

PLOUGH MONDAY.

There looming lone, from rise to set of sun,
Without pause or speed,
Solemnly striding by the furrows dun,
The sower sows the seed.

The sower sows the seed, which mouldering,
Will quicken into birth.

Oh, poles of birth and death! Controlling Powers
Of human lot and need!

On this fair earth all men are surely sowers,
Surely all life is seed!

All life is seed, dropped in Time's pawing furrow,
Which with slow sprout and shoot,
In the revolving world's unathwarted morrow,
Will blossom and bear fruit.

—MATHILDE BLINDE.

NEW IDEALS.

Our Readers' Views on the Sort of Man the Modern Woman Admires.

"SUFFRAGETTE" is evidently given to the habit of formulating definitions to her own satisfaction and assuming that everybody will accept them as correct.

Surely the true type of the "twentieth century woman," as we know her, is the type most common at the present day, and, namely, the "modern" woman whom "Suffragette" admires, and who is, she admits, rare.

One is driven to the conclusion that the experiences of "Suffragette" have been either exceedingly limited or remarkably uninformative on learning that, in her opinion, "old-world courtesy" is "debasement patronage."

Courtesy, whether "old-world" or not, is creditable on one side and gratifying on the other, and I cannot conceive how any sane person whose views are not hopelessly warped can object to it.

"Suffragette" seems to imply that friendship and courtesy cannot exist together. Comment on this extraordinary theory appears superfluous. BELFAST. ANLWS.

ONE of the contributions in my autograph book contains the following:—

"Be true to your own instincts and highest impulses. Do not allow yourself to be swayed by opinion or rumour, stand clear of both, and even a woman as you would a man, squarely, candidly and faithfully."

These lines were contributed by a lady friend, and are doubtless "borrowed."

A man embodying in his character such qualities as these would surely represent the ideal in the mind of any twentieth century woman.

Personally, I could not treat any woman "squarely"; my tongue, too, is courteous rather than "candid," and, as to being faithful to any woman—it isn't in me.

To all my women friends I try to be a "pal" in the best sense of the word, giving them as much happiness as I can afford. Although my "excessive modesty" forbids that I should say so, I fancy they are really happy in my society—the society of a "reprobate."

HERBERT BERESFORD.

PERHAPS the type of man most interesting to women is the middle-aged bachelor who has been disappointed in love in his youth and has ever since cherished a mistrust of the other sex, neglecting Mark Twain's advice: "We should extract from an experience only the wisdom there is in it. A cat that sits down on a hot stove lid will never sit down on a hot stove lid again, but, then, she will never sit down on a cold one either." D. Brighton Cruising Club.

IN my opinion it does not much matter what the "twentieth century woman expects in man," as very well for "Mr. L." to marry a man who recognises her equality with men, but the real point is that if such is the line the twentieth century woman is going to take up, will the man consent to marry her?

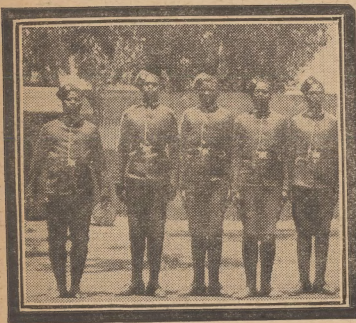
TWENTY-THREE.

IN MY GARDEN.

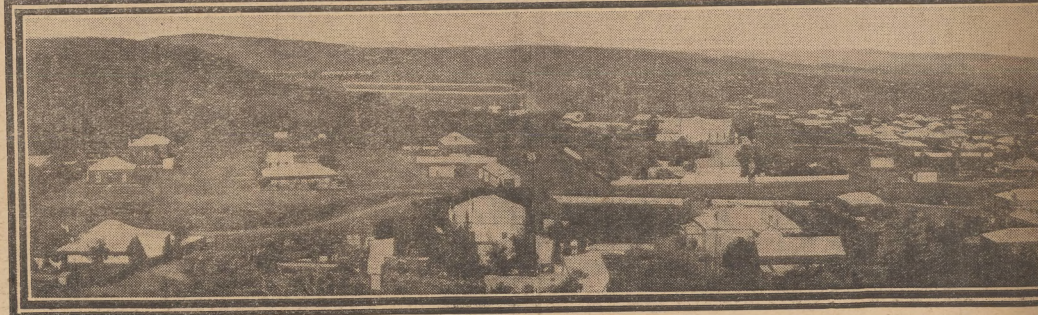
JAN. 11.—The owner of a warm greenhouse may sow many interesting seeds at this date. Perennials sown now will flower during the summer. Hollyhocks, lupins, aquilegias, delphiniums, antirrhinums, violas, etc., will germinate quickly. Sow in boxes of light sandy soil, and prick the young plants out into larger boxes before they become too crowded. E. F. T.

The seventh volume of Mr. Haselden's cartoons is now ready. It contains over a hundred of the best of those published during the past year. You may buy "Daily Mirror Reflections" for 6d. at any bookstall, or you may obtain a post free for 8d. from "The Daily Mirror," 23, Bouvierie-street, E.C. "Daily Mirror Reflections" makes an ideal gift for old and young.

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Native police. They are splendid men.



General view of the town of Jagersfontein, which the Basutos tried to storm. It is situated on the site

South Africa is a huge armed camp, 60,000 men having been mobilised in readiness to quell any disturbances which might arise out of the railway strike. And

NEXT SUMMER'S HATS: LOOKING BACKWARDS.



Let us hope that these two models of next summer's hats will not be popular, for there are much prettier ones to choose from. And no man could relish walking beside "the tickle my neighbour" variety, a prey to the vagaries of the feather. The small hat is a return to the early Victorian days, and is quite different to any recent fashion.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)

LORD MURRAY HOME AGAIN.



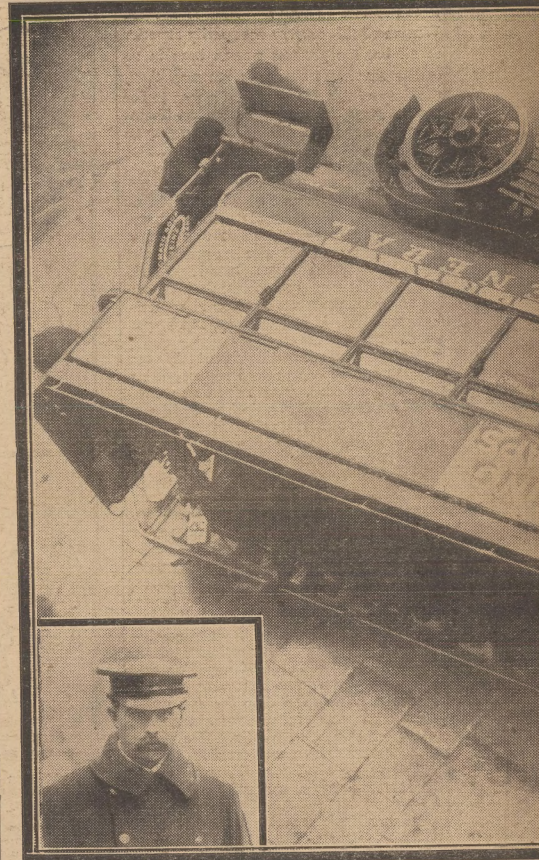
Lord Murray (who is wearing a bowler hat) on the tender at Plymouth, where he arrived on the liner George Washington. He has been absent for more than a year, on behalf of his firm, in connection with oil concessions in Central and South America.—(Daily Mirror photograph.)

ACTRESS'S ESCAPE.



Miss Ellaline Terriss, who had a wonderful escape at the Coliseum when a huge electric light batten fell on the stage close to where she was standing.—(Ellis and Walery.)

TWENTY INJURED IN LOND



The driver.

The omnibus lying on



A. Westall.



C. G. Parker.



Mrs. Moss.



Jan

A new peril, undreamt of a few years ago, lurks in greasy roads. The driver of a motor-omnibus applied his brakes, when the vehicle The omnibus, which was carrying a private party, was full inside and shaking. The portraits are of some

AFRICA: WHITES' BATTLE WITH NATIVES.

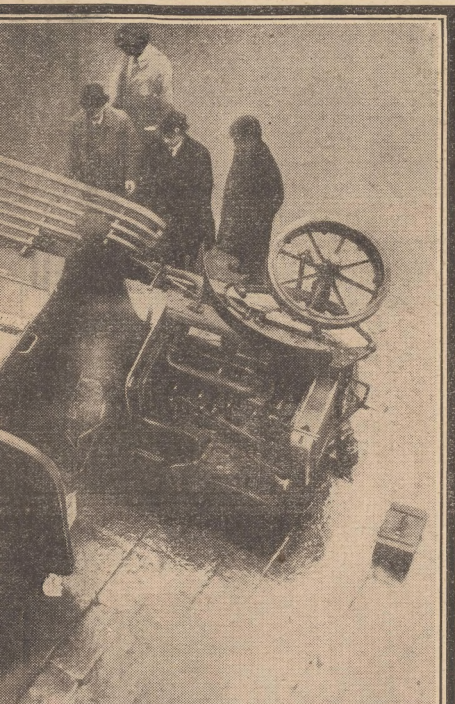


diamond mine, which is noted for its blue-white stones, and has a population of about 8,000.

The active citizen force (militia).

led out are the citizen force of the Transvaal, and the native police, who form a striking contrast to the Basutos who have been attacking whites.

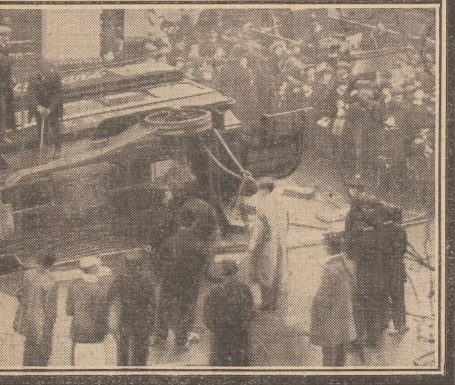
ONE PERSONS INJURED.



THE LAST STRIKE: CHARGING THE MOB IN JOHANNESBURG.



Fierce rioting took place on the occasion of the last strike on the Rand last July, and at Johannesburg the railway station and a newspaper office were set on fire. The picture shows mounted police charging the mob with raised batons. They were stoned by the people, and had to fire. The cavalry also had to make charges with drawn swords.



the overturned omnibus.

and a collision in Ladbrooke-grove, Notting Hill, on Saturday, mud, and after striking the kerb fell over upon the pavement. Twenty-one persons were injured. C. Walters, the driver, escaped (photographs.)

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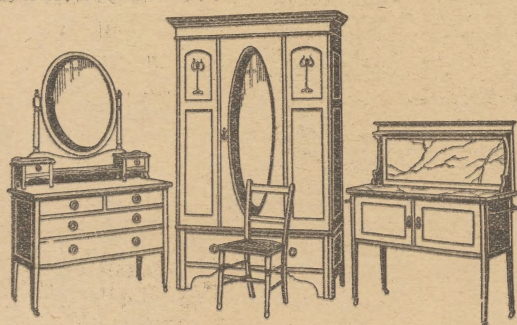
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THE PAGE THAT HAS SOMETHING EVERY DAY FOR EVERY WOMAN.

RECORD BARGAINS AT THE SALES.

Housewife Benefits by Keen Competition
Among Shops This Week.

WHERE TO GO.

A week of great opportunities! This is how the wise and provident housewife must regard the six shopping days beginning this morning. Sales start at Messrs. Harrod's, Messrs. Shoolbred's and Messrs. Jones and Higgins's.

Harrod's sale lasts for one week only. It will add further lustre to the firm's renown, and will probably be voted a record.

I note in the bargain floor, amongst other items which I would fain mention, some prices that it would be quite reprehensible to keep a secret.

Sports skirts in a variety of mixed tweeds are 6s. 11d. each, in 25in. waist size and various lengths! Velour coats (not a very large number, by the way) are to be cleared at 25s. 9d. each, and exceedingly smart knitted ones with caps to match in the favourite winter sports wrap-over design are specially priced at 18s. 8d.

The advantages of buying all that is smart at this address, from "dotted" soap at 10d. a box, suitable for visitors, to men's pyjamas at 5s. 11d. a pair, surely need no pointing out.

THREE DAYS' OPPORTUNITIES.

Tottenham Court House opens its hospitable doors to the three days' sale which Messrs. Shoolbred always institute at this season. With strict truth I can describe the reductions as sweeping.

Seeking for some few items to emphasise as particularly tempting I found the full-length pony cloth coats irresistible at £2 15s. They are light in weight, and with their soft silk linings eminently comfortable slip-ons. I then betook myself to the evening-gown department to make the gratifying discovery that for 25s. 6d. the daintiest little simple satin frocks can be bought with nipped bodices and hugie edged tunics. There is always a special charm about Shoolbred's style.

The impressive sale at Messrs. Jones and Higgins's, of Peckham, includes the further attraction of the opening of what is claimed to be the largest mantle and costume showroom in London.

The sale begins to-day, which is also the occasion of the showroom opening, and a personal visit is strongly urged as of great value to the shopper. It is as easy as fun, as the children say, to get there. Motor-omnibuses and London County Council tramway-cars pass the doors, and there is a "ten minutes service" of elevated electric trains from Victoria or London Bridge to Peckham Rye Station.

At Messrs. John Barker's the entire season's stock of one of the leading West End manufacturers, which has been bought at a discount of 60 to 70 per cent, off the cost price of production, will be a great lure. All garments are perfect in freshness and detail, and include tailor-made, blouses, furs, gowns and evening frocks.

MARKING DOWN GOWNS.

One guinea represents two and even four at Messrs. Derry and Toms's this week in connection with the marking down of the cashmere and serge gowns. Indeed, the story of drastic reductions applies to all departments, and in the one devoted to model gowns 45s. is the magic passport to possession. Remember, it is all through the week that this applies.

I hear that Messrs. H. C. Russell, of Sydney-place, Leicester-square, have still further reduced their stock. They are absolutely determined to get rid of it in view of their rebuilding operations.

As my walk in life takes me very frequently past Messrs. Spiers and Pond's establishment in Queen Victoria-street (opposite St. Paul's Station), I am always interested in the firm's displays. Just now bargains are everywhere, and I am safe in saying that the scheme of reduction is all-comprehensive.

"TOUCHWOOD" AT THE HAMMER-SMITH PANTOMIME.

Those lucky enough to be numbered amongst the audiences at "Jack and Jill," the excellent pantomime presented by Mr. Tom B. Davis at the King's Theatre, Hammersmith, should be doubly lucky in 1914, as a thousand of the pantomime patrons will be presented with the charming "Touchwood" charm which is all the rage in fashionable circles. The quaint little Eastern

charm offers his expressive smile in various dresses with legs and arms made of silver, sometimes of gold and occasionally set with rubies for his eyes. It has been made popular owing to its purchase by several royalties and quite a number of titled people. It has been arranged to make the presentation to-morrow evening. Singularly enough, one of the most popular topical songs is the one sung by Mr. Walter Dowling, "Touchwood," which is loudly applauded at each performance, and the presentation of this attractive mascot will be a happy souvenir of the song, guarding the wearer, doubtless, against the misfortunes which befel Jack and Jill, and many other disasters. The charm is of artistic make, costing 1s. 6d. in silver and 5s. 6d. in gold, and may be obtained from Mr. H. Brandon, 8, Fulwood's Rents, High Holborn, London, W.C.



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Is the Stay-at-Home daughter really the least energetic and useful member of the modern middle-class family?

She is usually regarded as a sort of lily-of-the-field, a young person whose sole duty is to do a little pottering around the house and a little futile dusting of the drawing-room, to dress up in the afternoon and look pretty, and generally to enjoy herself in a leisurely fashion. But is this really the true picture?

I know a family of three girls, two of whom go to business every day, while the third remains at home. She is the cleverest of the family, quick and energetic, and upon her the heavy end of the beam really falls.

She prepares and presides over the early breakfast of her two sisters, mends gloves, collects belongings, and rushes to get anything that may have been forgotten at the last frantic minute when but a few moments remain to train-time. When at length they are really off she feels inclined for a thorough rest. But no! An arduous

AMERICAN GIRLS WHO ARE IN THE NEWS.



Miss Vawter.

Miss Vawter, who has chosen the profession of wireless operator, works at Arlington, U.S.A., and holds nightly conversation with the Eiffel Tower. Wellesley College students have chosen Miss Minahan as the prettiest girl there.



Miss Olive Minahan.

day is before her, and there is no financial reward at the end of it.

When her business sisters come in at night they are "too tired" to lend her a helping hand, and recline upon sofa or easy-chair while she prepares supper. E. C.

"DAILY MIRROR" BEAUTIES.—No. 66.



With this portrait we enter the twelfth week of the competition in which the readers are left to guess the names of the beautiful women shown in this gallery. Prizes of £10 and 100 books will be awarded to those guessing in the most complete lists of the names of the originals, with the best summary of their merits, at the end of the twenty-six weeks during which the pictures are appearing.

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WHAT THE WOMEN'S CLUBS ARE DOING.

Old and Young in London Report
Big Increases of Membership.

Women's clubs in London, which are growing in importance every year, have started 1914 well.

The Pioneer Club, for instance, has 180 members more now than at the corresponding week last year. It is one of the oldest of the women's clubs.

A similar cheerful story comes from one of the youngest, the Thrice Arts Club. It has now over 1,000 members, 350 more than at this time last year.

These vigorous signs of progress are due, of course, to the continuous increase of professional women workers.

A girl who is a member of a good club can do much of her entertaining and keep her appointments there with great advantage and economy. Even in good West End clubs a meal for a guest

can be purchased for 1s. 6d., and an amount of comfort provided otherwise impossible to the single woman.

The Pioneer Club, which has very comfortable premises in St. James's, is literary and social in aim, political discussion not being encouraged.

Concerts by professionals are given on Tuesday afternoons at three o'clock, and on these occasions an attendance of 160-200 is usually mustered. Except when there is a concert, "At Homes" are held every Tuesday afternoon. These are in the hands of a social committee, which manages details as set aside for them.

Bridge is played a good deal, and is further encouraged by organised bridge parties every Tuesday evening. There are some good chess players, and Monday, Wednesday and Saturday afternoons are set aside for them.

Thursday evenings are devoted to lectures, debates, discussions, etc., one of the evenings this month being devoted to "Carols," with illustrations, arranged by Mr. H. J. L. Mase, and another being occupied by a debate on "The Housing of Women," to be opened by Mrs. Anstey. A good library is an additional asset.

THE BUSY LYCEUM.

One of the most active clubs is the Lyceum, which has a very large and varied membership. Debates and dinners are arranged frequently.

Fixtures this month have included a lecture to the French circle last Tuesday on "The Poet Richépin," by Miss Alice Clerc, Mlle. la Fontaine giving a recital from the poet's works; and a kind of "flower dinner" last Thursday, when Miss J. F. Turner presided, and opened an interesting discussion on "The Rehabilitation (or reforestation) of Wild Flowers."

Among forthcoming January events, the Geographical Circle are giving a luncheon in honour of Miss Pullen Burns, F.R.G.S., F.N.A.I., on the eve of her departure for her travels. The United Empire Circle are holding an "At Home," when Sir Everard Im Thurn, late Governor of Fiji, will give an illustrated lecture on British Guiana. Signor Ribera is giving a lecture to the Italian Circle on "The Progress and Aspiration of Modern Italy."

ALL EXCITEMENT FOR THE BALL.

Professional workers in music, painting and the drama make up the greater proportion of the membership of the very vigorous Three Arts Club. Accommodation for residents is taken advantage of.

Within the walls of the club a girl can enjoy the recreation she needs after a day's work. There are lectures by well-known speakers on social reform and other subjects; concerts are got up among the members or given by special artists, while dramatic performances and art exhibitions also are held. Dances take place from time to time. The club has its own magazine, in which are chronicled all the current events.

The exciting topic in the club just now is the fancy dress ball to be held on January 22 at Covent Garden, in which many of the leading members of the London stage will appear.

MOTHER, YOUR CHILD NEEDS A LAXATIVE!

If Tongue Is Coated, Stomach Sick, or the Child Is Cross, Feverish, Constipated, Give "California Syrup of Figs."

Don't scold your fretful, peevish child. See if the tongue is coated; this is a sure sign that the little stomach, liver and bowels are clogged with bile and imperfectly digested food.

When listless, pale, feverish, with tainted breath, a cold, or a sore throat; if the child does not eat, sleep or act naturally, or has stomach-ache, indigestion or diarrhoea, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the waste matter, bile and fermenting food will pass out of the bowels, and you have a healthy, playful child again. Children love this harmless "fruit laxative," and mothers can rest easy after giving it, because it never fails to make their little "insides" sweet and wholesome.

Keep it handy, Mother! A little given to-day saves a sick child to-morrow, but get the genuine. Ask your chemist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages, and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Remember there are counterfeiters sold here, so look and see that your bottle bears the name of the "California Fig Syrup Company." Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup. All leading chemists sell "California Syrup of Figs." Is. 1d. and 1s. 9d. per bottle.—(Advt.)

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THE PRIOR CLAIM.

By EDMUND B. D'AUVERGNE.

CHAPTER XXXII. (continued).

"A THIEF," repeated the American. He looked keenly at Yolande to see what effect this confession had upon her. But her face betrayed nothing more than deep interest.

"After that brilliant statement," went on Mr. Tenbrook, studying the cigarette which he held in his hand, "I guess you think it was presumptuous of me to kiss your hand just now. Makes you feel kind of queer all over, eh?"

Lady Pomfret, he assured her earnestly, "it's you white-souled, pure women who make men like me—"

"Oh, for goodness sake, don't begin to talk like that, Mr. Tenbrook!" exclaimed Yolande peevishly. "You Americans are so horribly sentimental! I'm not at all white-souled, whatever that may be. Perhaps I need whitewashing—most of us do—but at present I am most anxious to hear your story. I promise to be very interesting."

Somehow abashed, Tenbrook bowed and took a pull at his fat cigarette. "I had better begin at the beginning," he said with a sigh. He sat down beside the fire and began his narrative in a high, nasal voice, his hands thrust into his trouser pockets, his eyes staring fixedly at the tips of his boots.

"I was raised in Philadelphia—though that has not much to do with my story, perhaps. I can't remember either of my parents. They were emigrants from England. My mother died a few weeks after my birth, and my father a year later married a Dutchwoman—I guess, to have someone to look after me." The narrator smiled. "It couldn't have been her personal beauty, for she was the homeliest woman I ever saw—and the kindest, too, I should say. Well, it was a lucky thing for me that he died marry her, for he died himself six months after that, and when I was about nineteen or twenty months old, and my stepmother was the only friend I had in the world."

"Your own name sounds Dutch," interposed Lady Pomfret.

"It is a name of Dutch origin. It was my stepmother's maiden name. I'll tell you why I assumed it presently."

"Isn't that your real name, then?" asked Yolande curiously.

The American hesitated. Then he told her. "My real name is Eustace Loseby."

"The name is English," remarked Yolande. "What part of England did your father come from?"

"I never heard—as I've told you, I never knew him. I don't know my mother's maiden name either. These things don't much matter in my country, but then they ask me when he does and what's he worth, not whence he comes. Anyway, my parents couldn't have been people of much consequence, for they didn't leave me much more than the cut I slept in. But my stepmother was a good woman, Lady Pomfret, and taught me to earn my living almost as soon as I could speak plain. When I see these young fellows in Piccadilly and on the boulevards here, hanging around just waiting for their folk to die, why it makes me—"

"Yes, I know," interrupted Yolande. "We are horribly decadent; and it's well known, of course—in America—the young Englishmen of good family spend their whole time loafing in Bond Street and playing auction bridge. But I want to hear how you got yourself into a scrape, and how Lambert got a call over you."

"Well, it's not a very savoury story, Lady Pomfret, so you must excuse my prolonging the preface. I won't bore you by recounting my early vicissitudes. I've sold papers on the streets of New York, I've been the real estate business at Buffalo, I've peddled mousetraps in New Hampshire, I've speculated in wheat in Nebraska. By the time I'd turned thirty I'd tried most things and failed. Then when down on my luck I stumbled across the relatives of my stepmother on the streets of Chicago. I told him my story and he gave me an introduction to William P. Hingler, the president of the Intercontinental Trading Exchange. It was a big concern, in its day, and William P. Hingler was a great man. . . . Unfortunately, he's dead."

Mr. Tenbrook sighed and resumed: "I was appointed representative of the exchange in the south of England, with orders to work up the business on this side. I had pretty extensive powers. Remarkable the confidence which old man Hingler showed in me. I sailed for Southampton with a guarantee salary in my pocket and in the best of spirits. I was curious, too, to see this Europe of yours, from which my parents had sprung."

"I sailed on a swell liner. I was not much used to society in those days, and did not feel at all comfortable with the crowd on deck. I spent most of my time in the card-room. There I ran up against another passenger—an Englishman—called Maynard. He didn't take much notice of me at first till he heard my name—Eustace Loseby. Then I often found him staring hard at me. He became very friendly, took every opportunity of standing drinks, and finally informed me that he thought he knew some of my folk. I told him that my father was an Englishman and had died soon after my mother in Philadelphia. I remember that this seemed to interest him, and that he asked the exact date of my birth and my mother's death. He chewed this information a spell, and then told me that he had been mistaken—that I couldn't be connected with the family which he knew. Whether this talk about my family was just a trick to improve my acquaintance and to engage my confidence, I don't know. In the light of what followed, I'm inclined to think it merely was."

"But I ought to mention this: that when I told Maynard that now was on this side I had a good mind to hunt up my father's folk, he certainly did his best to discourage me and said

that the only Losebys he had heard of were in humble circumstances and would be a severe embarrassment to a rising business man. He certainly was very anxious to discourage me—and he succeeded."

Tenbrook paused. "That's very interesting," commented his listener. "There must have been some reason for his diverting you from that trail. Why haven't you prosecuted inquiries about your people?"

"Well, you will now hear. I liked Maynard, and was grateful to him, but I wasn't so simple as not to see that he was a bit of a crook. He was well in with all the sharpers in the cardroom, and once the first officer stopped me on the deck and warned me not to play with him. I resented the advice, and told the officer so, for whenever we played Maynard treated me as a partner. In fact, we made a pretty considerable pile between us. I had my misgivings about his methods of play, but I consoled myself by reflecting that he was only swindling swindlers, and that Maynard was winning because he happened to see through the other men's dodges."

"We were fast friends by the time we landed at Southampton. I had business on that town, and I was to look round, and if I thought fit establish a branch of the exchange there. I did not do much business. Maynard had acquired an extraordinary influence over me. I don't know how or why. He was always hanging around, proposing some form or other of exciting and distracting me from my proper work. We used to run up to London for week-ends. We always seemed to be driving about the country in motor-cars. We went to race-meetings at a place called Newbury, and other places. Goodwood, I think—and we were for ever hanging round the local theatres." Tenbrook shook his head. "The fact is the air of the old country seemed too strong for me."

"I shouldn't have thought that Southampton would have demoralised any man," observed Lady Pomfret.

"Southampton didn't, but Maynard did. Well," Tenbrook hesitated, fidgeted a little, and averted his face from his hearer—"one day Maynard introduced me to a friend of his—a girl named Freda Trevor."

"What sort of a girl was she?" eagerly inquired Yolande.

"She was a very pretty girl, Lady Pomfret. In those days I reckoned her a real peach. She was supposed to be on the music-hall stage, but at the time I knew her she was out of an engagement. One told me once that she was raised near a little town called Guildford."

"I know it," put in Lady Pomfret, amused by his efforts to enlighten her on the geography of her own country. "Well, what happened? Did you marry this rustic beauty?"

"No, Lady Pomfret. I was not quite such a fool as that. Besides, she was supposed to be engaged to be married to Maynard, but he told me confidentially that he did not believe he would ever be able to fulfil his promise, and would not be sorry if she took a fancy to someone else. The girl, it seemed to me, was very fond of him. I used to take her out for drives in my car and made her presents of jewellery. The American broke off. "It isn't pleasant to be telling you this, Lady Pomfret. I hope this sordid story is not too offensive to you."

"Oh, do get on, Mr. Tenbrook!" cried Yolande, quivering with impatience. "We Englishwomen are not so easily shocked as you seem to suppose. Very well, I take it you became entangled with this girl?"

"I became infatuated with her," went on Tenbrook sulkily, "the more so because I saw her eyes following Maynard about wherever he moved. I told her that I was a better man than Maynard and meant more honourably by her. I used to write her letters. I don't exactly remember what I wrote. . . ."

"Men seldom do," observed Yolande. "Pray continue."

"I had been in England six months now, and was receiving very unpleasant letters from the head office. I had done no serious work—I had achieved nothing—since I had landed. Worse than all, I had spent the firm's money for my own purposes. I wrote lying letters, pretending that I had actually started business—sent faked reports, and so on. I was pretty desperate, and realised what a fool I had been. Then the girl came to me with a pitiable story about her father being ruined—he was supposed to be a farmer of some sort—and implored me to lend her £200. She said she had appealed to Maynard in vain. That put me on my mettle. I hadn't more than £50 in my possession. I was ruined, anyhow, unless I could by some desperate stroke retrieve my fortunes, so it didn't matter much what I did. I couldn't raise money on my own signature in Southampton, so I forged the name of my president, William P. Hingler, to a bill for £200, and handed the money to her."

Yolande drew in her breath. Now that the most humiliating part of his narrative had been reached the American seemed more at his ease. He lit a fresh cigarette and continued:

"I was just crazy about that girl—just crazy. As I might have expected, as soon as I had paid her the money she disappeared. So did Maynard. Against the girl and her lover I was just crazy with hatred. Then I began to receive letters from her—threatening, violent letters, warning me to leave the country. I paid no heed to them. Within a week of her disappearance I had a cablegram from the other side. William P. Hingler had died on June 23, just two days prior to the date I had put on the bill to which I had forged his name. For financial reasons they had decided to conceal the fact of his death so long. I contrived to alter the '23' on the telegram to '5' and so made it appear that the old man had died a few hours after signing the bill. I knew the ruse wouldn't help me when the bill was presented, but I had a few days to look round in."

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THIS MORNING'S NEWS ITEMS.

Nose Bleeding as Life Saver.

"Bleeding of the nose often saves life," remarked the Hackney coroner at an inquest on Saturday.

Miss Ellaline Terriss's Escape.

A great batten weighing four and a half tons crashed from the flies to the stage within a few inches of Miss Ellaline Terriss at the Coliseum on Saturday night.

Film Call for Help.

When a tug was required on Saturday night by a ship stranded on the Cockle Sand, a message was shown at a Yarmouth picture palace stating that tugmen were wanted.

Guests at Firemen.

Men guests at a ball given by Sir John Smiley and Lady Smiley at Burioa Hall, near Bury St. Edmunds, on Saturday helped to fight the flames when a fire broke out which destroyed the house.

'CHASING AT HAYDOCK.

Repp and Nigeria Score for Goswell—Birmingham Meeting To-day.

Haydock Park provided very moderate sport on Saturday, and there is not likely to be much improvement in steeplechasing until after the entries for the Grand National are published this week. Birmingham opens the week's racing to-day, and there is a meeting at Tenby on Wednesday and Thursday, but the most important racing is reserved for Friday and Saturday at Hurst Park.

More rain fell at Haydock on Saturday, and the course, already in a terrible condition, was a quagmire. There were one or two upsets of form, but most of the winners were well backed. George Goswell, the Bangor trainer, took the St. Helens Steeplechase with Repp, and also captured the much more important January Steeplechase with Nigeria. Shamus Scab, with Percy Woodall in the saddle, was favourite, but Lord Sifton's horse finished a bad third behind Bell Toll.

SELECTIONS FOR BIRMINGHAM.

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| 1. 0.—KILBALLYTOWN. | 2. 30.—CANNOCK LASS. |
| 3. 30.—FEATHERSTONE. | 3. 0.—RED COCKADE. |
| 2. 0.—ALLEGIANE. | 3. 30.—FULL STOP. |

DOUBLE EVENT FOR TO-DAY.

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HAYDOCK RACING RETURNS.

1. 0.—St. Helens 'Chase.—Repp (8-4, T. Goswell), 1; 45 (5-2), 2; Plyer (15-0), 3. 5 ran.
1. 0.—St. Helens Hurdle.—France (8-1, Threlfell), 1; Cherry Pie (4-1), 2; Errigal (5-1), 3. 6 ran.
1. 0.—January Chase.—Nigeria (9-2, T. Goswell), 1; Bell Toll (7-1), 2; Shamus Scab (5-4), 3. 6 ran.
2. 30.—Four-Year-Old Hurdle.—San Francisco (7-4, Trudgill), 1; Roger Simon (2-1), 2; Ruanine (10-6), 3. 6 ran.
3. 0.—White Lodge Chase.—King's Cure (4-5, Mr. N. Forwood), 1; 3 ran.
3. 30.—Karlston Hurdle.—Pinkben (6-1, Colbert), 1; Rough and Ready (2-1), 2; Bit o' Rye (75-20), 3. 7 ran.

BIRMINGHAM PROGRAMME.

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| 1. 0.—WARD END 'CHASE, 80 sovs; 2m. | | Yrs at lb |
| Kolo | 12 0 | 12 0 |
| Police Trap | 12 0 | 12 0 |
| Patriotic | 12 0 | 12 0 |
| Calligoe | 12 0 | 12 0 |
| Orre Clock | 12 0 | 12 0 |
| R.L.O. | 12 0 | 12 0 |
| Captain Bell | 12 0 | 12 0 |
| 1. 30.—HIGHFIELD CHASE, 100 sovs; 2m. | | Yrs at lb |
| Abbot's Choice | 12 7 | 12 7 |
| Maid Marian | 12 2 | 12 2 |
| Simon Pure II | 11 12 | 11 12 |
| Regent | 11 10 | 11 10 |
| Adelante | 11 9 | 11 9 |
| Madrigal | 11 4 | 11 4 |
| Doris | 11 4 | 11 4 |
| 2. 30.—STAFFORDSHIRE HURDLE, 150 sovs; 2m. | | Yrs at lb |
| Thaddeus | 12 7 | 12 7 |
| Chateau Vert | 11 12 | 11 12 |
| Closewood Beck | 11 6 | 11 6 |
| 3. 30.—STAFFORDSHIRE HURDLE, 150 sovs; 2m. | | Yrs at lb |
| Featherstone | 11 2 | 11 2 |
| Ben Rusden | 11 2 | 11 2 |
| Shanawan | 11 2 | 11 2 |
| Stag's Head | 10 6 | 10 6 |
| Ballymadun | 10 6 | 10 6 |
| Perry Prince II | 10 4 | 10 4 |
| 3. 30.—STAFFORDSHIRE HURDLE, 150 sovs; 2m. | | Yrs at lb |
| Thaddeus | 12 7 | 12 7 |
| Chateau Vert | 11 12 | 11 12 |
| Closewood Beck | 11 6 | 11 6 |

Mr. Bryce's Title.

Mr. James Bryce, ex-Ambassador to the United States, has taken the title of Viscount Bryce Claims to Fragon's Fortune.

Claims to Harry Fragon's fortune, on grounds of kinship, says the Central News, are stated to be made by Narcisse Pott, a blacksmith.

Mystery of Woman's Photograph.

Though some fifty people have come forward and "identified" the photograph which was left behind by the man Wilson, who is "wanted" with regard to the murder in Brussels, the subject of the portrait is still a mystery.

Englishwoman Lost on Mountain.

The police are making investigations concerning an Englishwoman, named Mary Hill, who (says a Reuters Genoa message) disappeared a week ago while on an excursion in the mountains on the frontier between France and Italy.

2. 0.—STECHFORD S. HURDLE, 80 sovs; 2m.	Yrs at lb
Thirty Three	12 0
Climax	12 0
Castile	12 0
Miss Bun	12 0
Fortune Bay	12 0
Sanbar	12 0
Gloam	12 0
Wise Riot	12 0
Amerham	12 0
Pack Leader	12 0
3. 0.—PACKINGTON CHASE, 90 sovs; 2m.	Yrs at lb
Kenia	12 9
Fiddling	12 0
Flooding Peace	12 0
Red Cockade	12 0
Waylance	12 0
Lincoln	12 0
Matt McGee	12 0
Good Business	12 0
3. 30.—MAIDEN FOUR-YEAR-OLD HURDLE, 80 sovs; 2m	Yrs at lb
Full Stop	12 0
Surge	12 0
Grey Fir	12 0
San Francisco	12 0
Thika	12 0
Maundi	12 0
Wild Ben	12 0
Bride Elect	12 0
Portentous	12 0
Cratun	12 0
Red Calce	12 0
Huntingtower	12 0
King Redwood	12 0
Yrs at lb	
My Colles	11 10
Allegiance	11 10
Deviline	11 10
Chodles	11 10
Balston	11 6
Deland	11 6
Maudslowe	11 6
Aderna	10 10
Querry St. Mary	10 10
Chance Cure	10 10
Yrs at lb	
Knolton	11 5
Fortive	11 5
Silver Goblet	11 5
Doctor Ryan	11 5
Recorder	11 5
Prince Francis	10 10
St. Cliden	10 10

STOCKS AND SHARES.

9, BISHOPS'GATE, E.C.

The weakness in South Africans on the strike news was the most prominent feature in the Stock Exchange on Saturday.

Consols were offered, and fell $\frac{1}{2}$ to 71 $\frac{1}{2}$, while among Home Rails, the Scottish stocks were depressed. North-Westerns, however, rose a quarter to 131 $\frac{1}{2}$, and similar gains were shown by District and Lancashire and Yorkshire.

Americans were rather weak, and Canadas fell $\frac{1}{2}$ to 211 $\frac{1}{2}$, but Trunk Junior stocks rallied slightly, despite a traffic decrease of £11,018.

Peruvians were on offer among Foreigners, and in the Industrial market the chief movement was a fall of two more points to 63 in Mexico Trans.

Amalgamated Press Ordinary were steady at 54 and 18s, and the Preference at 10s. 9d. Pictorial Newspaper Ordinary and Preference also remained at 22s. 3d. and 18s. 3d. respectively, and Associated Newspaper Ordinary and Preference were again quoted at 24s. and 20s. 3d.

Dealers in Rubber shares did not make their railway fares to town, let alone lunch money, for hardly a stroke of business was transacted.

South Africans were sold by Paris on the strike news and prices relaxed. Modders being to the fore with a drop of a quarter to 117 $\frac{1}{2}$. Jagers were especially weak among Diamond shares on the native outbreak at the company's mines, falling to 4 15-16.

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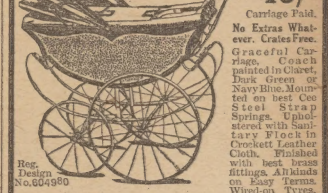
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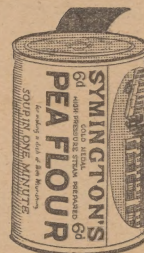


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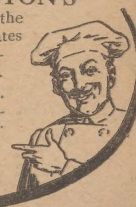
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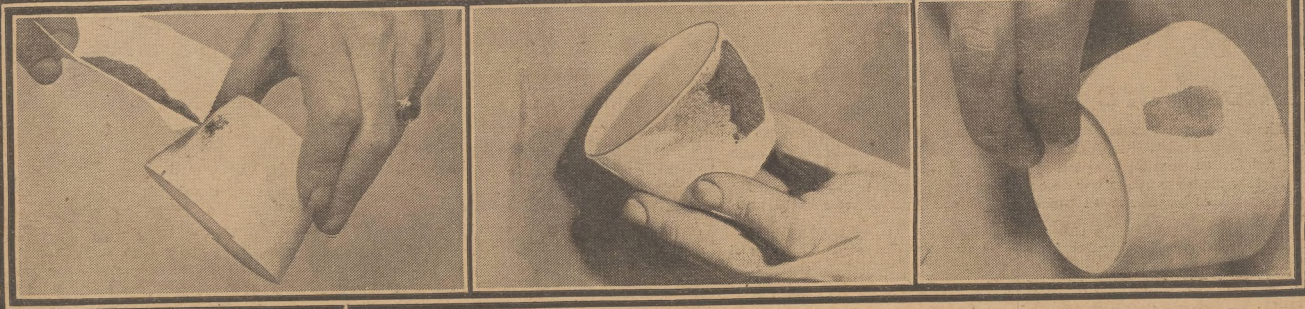
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FINGER PRINTS IN THE TRAIN MURDER: CARRIAGE EXAMINED FOR CLUES.



The railway carriage in which the dead body of little Willie Starchfield was found has been carefully examined for finger-prints. This is one method of obtaining them.

Black powder is spread on the object until it is well covered, when it is blown off, revealing the print.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)

FIRST ROUND OF THE ENGLISH CUP: CHELSEA AND MILLWALL PLAY UNDECIDED GAME.



Millwall make an abortive attack on Chelsea's goal, Molyneux fisting away.

Marshall (Chelsea's left back) clearing.



Moody (Millwall) heading.



An exciting moment round Chelsea goal.



Moody charges Molyneux.

The two London sides, Millwall and Chelsea, played a goalless draw before a big crowd at New Cross in the first round of the English Cup. Chelsea, who were lucky

to escape defeat, were one short nearly all the game, Harrow being ordered off the field shortly after the start.